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CANCER

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.116)

MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to a final Office Action herein, mailed September 17, 2004, time for response to which is set to expire December 17, 2004. Filed herewith is a three months extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to March 17, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

The considered claims, claims 88-98, were rejected. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection, and the following amendment and discussion are offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.